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SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Frank Lewis, do you have any words of wisdom after that?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: I move the question.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: You don't have to ask for the question because there are no further...there is no further debate. Senator Murphy, you may close on your redundant or whatever it is amendment.

SENATOR MURPHY: You fellows and your sweet talking ways. I would move the adoption of the amendment. As I say, it simply permits the formula to provide for a decrease as well as an increase and I move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Motion is the adoption of the Murphy amendment to LB 33. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 1 nay.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Murphy amendment is adopted. Next amendment.

CLERK: Now that is all the amendments that I have considering that three have been temporarily withdrawn.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Cullan has one.

CLERK: I am sorry. We do have one offered by Senator Cullan. Read. (See page 1566, Journal.)

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this is an amendment which I think is a very important one. The bill says that the state aid will increase at twenty million dollars until we reach 40% of the cost of education in the State of Nebraska and I have a problem with this because I believe that we may never reach 40% in increases of 20 million dollars or we don't know when we will reach it. We don't know what it is going to cost the state and I think when we put it at 115 million dollars, I think that is reasonable and I think we ought to adopt the amendment. It is pretty clear cut.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. President, there is no substantive problem with this amendment. The 40% and the 115 million dollars are simply intent and not binding in the terms of the money that will be appropriated by the Legislature, so if this helps Senator Cullan along, I would support it.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, Senator Cullan has visited with me about this amendment and I will accept it. I think it is reasonable and I support his rationale for the adoption of this amendment.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: I like this wonderful spirit we are seeing here this afternoon, and for that reason, Senator Cullan, would